

Hello FCC Commissioners,

My name is Daniel Berman. I am 63 years old. I was a psychotherapist for decades, and a type A personality who loved to work. I have developed, probably in part from exposure to toxic mold, severe sensitivity to electro-magnetic fields, e.g. cell towers, cell-phone, wi-fi, and “smart” meters. You could drive me around in a car with my eyes closed, and I can tell you when we’re within a couple of blocks of a cell tower.

I will not barrage you with countless studies from Europe, authored by PhDs and M.D.s who are experts in their field, because I am sure you are swimming in those from other submissions.

I want to give my personal testimony. I realize that if you, reading this, or most any normal person is in a space and I say I feel sick from X and you don’t, that your immediate reaction is “what is he talking about?”

I don’t know how to overcome this understandable bias toward one’s own personal physical experience except to use the example of people who have severe allergies to peanuts or bee stings, and to encourage you to use your logic to extend that understanding, that each person has unique physiology and reactions, to the possibility that all these people testifying are telling you the truth.

Were I in your place, I might understandably include the question: are these people nuts? Then I would notice that there is a wide range of people, quite a cross-sample of America, amongst those of us who are tormented by the proliferation of electric, magnetic, RF, etc. fields. Many of whom were professionals, lawyers, physicians, Ph.Ds, biochemists, etc. who have had to move, often several times, to try and find an area where their bodies are not assaulted by such fields.

I would keep in mind that businesses engaged in providing/selling such equipment as utilizes these technologies are making billions of dollars, and perhaps would not be above hiring pseudo

“interested” citizens to make comments against those of us who are affected, and presenting studies “proving” there is no harmful effect, though one’s science is always dubious at best when the funding is provided by the industry which seeks a specific outcome.

And consider the SAR rating of cell phones. Hard to gather this information for the interested consumer anyway, and then one discovers this is but one measurement of effects on the bio-electric field of one’s body. And one discovers that the studies trumpeting the safety of cell phones, etc. are often based upon the presumption of a couple of minutes of the heat generated by such devices, totally ignoring the reality that one’s body, an indisputably exquisitely tuned miracle of creation that chance (for the atheist) or God (for the religious) has composed utilizing subtle and infinitely complex webs of electricity amongst the DNA and chemicals. There is no scientist, including those guns for hire to the cell-phone lobby, who would dispute that. The long-term effects of various frequencies of radio waves, etc. has not been looked into, save by the very well established scientists who find great danger, but whom the industry is all too happy to quickly vilify.

I would remind you that asbestos damage to the body typically did not show up in studies of those exposed to it during their first decade of exposure.

Given that the scientific difficulty of proving X or Y is what is affecting one amongst the thousands of stimuli in the 21st century environment, I would urge you to consider: Why would there suddenly be so many normal, reasonable and sometimes outstandingly successful individuals, who have shown no sign of depression, and no lack of motivation for decades of their lives, suddenly make up these symptoms, uproot their lives, spend tens of thousands of dollars trying to successfully re-locate?

Why are there so many studies coming out of Europe, so many profoundly stricter limitations on Locations of wi-fi, etc in or near schools in Europe?

I would consider the possibility that inadvertently, these exciting new electronic devices and their associated fields of transmission are for some of us harmful, are as good as weapons against us, and that

those of us asking you to investigate and take precautions are canaries in the coal mine.

Here's a quote from the Wikipedia page

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Electromagnetic_weapon

Some bio-effects of electromagnetic (radiation) weapons include effects to the human central nervous system resulting in drowsiness, localized physical pain (e.g. headaches or joint pain), difficulty breathing, vertigo, incontinence, nausea, disorientation, or other systemic discomfort. Electromagnetic radiation weapons can cause cumulative damage to the human body. Electromagnetic weapons can affect the human nervous system and might lead to diseases of the nervous system such as Primary Lateral Sclerosis.

Thank you for considering my comments. I have lived in dozens of places the last 4 years trying to find someplace comfortable for my body. Before that, I lived in the same house in Portland, Oregon from 1979 until 2008. My relatively normal life, as I knew it from birth to age 58, has been destroyed by "smart" meters and cell towers and wi-fi.

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